

Annex II

Current membership of the International Narcotics Control Board

Hamid Ghodse

Born in 1938. National of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Professor of Psychiatry and of International Drug Policy, University of London (since 1987). Director, International Centre for Drug Policy, St. George's University of London (since 2003); President, European Collaborating Centres for Addiction Studies (since 1992); Non-Executive Director, National Patient Safety Agency, United Kingdom (since 2001); Chairman, Civil Honours Committee, Royal College of Psychiatrists, United Kingdom (since 2006).

Recipient of the following degrees, qualifications and awards: Doctor of Medicine (M.D.), Islamic Republic of Iran (1965); Diploma Psychological Medicine (D.P.M.), United Kingdom (1974); Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), University of London (1976); and Doctor of Science (D.Sc.), University of London (2002). Fellow of the Royal College of Psychiatrists (F.R.C.Psych.), United Kingdom (1985); Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (F.R.C.P.), London (1992); Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh (F.R.C.P.E.), Edinburgh (1997); Fellow of the Faculty of Public Health Medicine (F.F.P.H.), United Kingdom (1997); Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (F.H.E.A.), United Kingdom (2005); Honorary Fellowship, Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine (FFFLM) (2012); International Distinguished Fellow, American Psychiatric Association (APA) (2009). Honorary Fellow, Royal College of Psychiatrists (R.C.Psych.) (2006); Honorary Fellow, World Psychiatric Association (FWPA) (2008). Member of the World Health Organization (WHO) Expert Advisory Panel on Alcohol and Drug Dependence (since 1979); Adviser, Joint Formulary Committee, British National Formulary (since 1984); Honorary Consultant Psychiatrist, St. George's and Springfield University Hospitals, London (since 1978); Honorary Consultant Public Health, Wandsworth Primary Care Trust, London (since 1997). Consultant Psychiatrist, St. Thomas's Teaching Hospital and Medical School, London (1978-1987); member, rapporteur, chairman and convener of various WHO and European Community expert committees, review groups and other working groups on drug and alcohol dependence; M. S. McLeod Visiting Professor, Southern Australia (1990); Honorary Professor, Peking University (since 1997); Honorary Fellow, St. George's, University of London (2011); Lifetime Achievement Award, Royal College of Psychiatrists (2011).

Author or editor of over 350 scientific books and papers on drug-related issues and addictions, including the following books: *The Misuse of Psychotropic Drugs*, London (1981); *Psychoactive Drugs and Health Problems*, Helsinki (1987); *Psychoactive Drugs: Improving Prescribing Practices*, Geneva (1988); *Substance Abuse and Dependence*, Guildford (1990); *Drug Misuse and Dependence: The British and Dutch Response*, Lancashire, United Kingdom (1990); *Misuse of Drugs* (3rd ed.), London (1997); *Young People and Substance Misuse*, London (2004); *Addiction at Workplace*, Aldershot (2005); *International Drug Control into the 21st Century*, Aldershot (2008); *Ghodse's Drugs and Addictive Behaviour: A Guide to Treatment* (4th ed.), Cambridge (2010); *International Perspectives on Mental Health*, London (2011); *Substance Abuse Disorders: Evidence and Experience*, Chichester, United Kingdom (2011); Editor-in-Chief, *International Psychiatry*; Honorary Editor-in-Chief, *Chinese Journal of Drug Dependence*; member of the Editorial Board, *International Journal of Social Psychiatry*; member of the Editorial Board, *Asian Journal of Psychiatry*, *Psychiatriki Journal*, Convener of WHO expert groups on medical education (1986), pharmacy education (1987), nurse education (1989) and rational prescribing of psychoactive drugs. Chairman, Association of Professors of Psychiatry of the British Isles (since 1991); Chairman, Association of European Professors of Psychiatry; Director, National Programme on Substance Abuse Deaths (since 1997); member of the International Association of Epidemiology (since 1998).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 1992). Member of the Standing Committee on Estimates (1992). President of the Board (1993, 1994, 1997, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2004, 2005, 2008, 2010 and 2011).

Wayne Hall

Born in 1951 in Australia. Trained as a research psychologist and worked as an epidemiologist. Currently Professor and National Health and Medical Research Council Australia Fellow, University of Queensland Centre for Clinical Research; and Visiting Professor, National Addiction Centre, Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London (both since 2009).

Professor of Public Health Policy, School of Population Health, University of Queensland (2006-2010); Professor and Director, Office of Public Policy and Ethics, Institute for Molecular Bioscience, University of

Queensland (2001-2005); Professor and Director, National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, University of New South Wales (1994-2001). Author and co-author of over 700 articles, chapters and reports on addiction, drug use epidemiology and mental health. Member, World Health Organization Expert Committee on Drug Dependence (1996), and the Australian National Council on Drugs (1998-2001).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2012). Member of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2012).

David T. Johnson

Born in 1954. National of the United States of America. Consultant and retired diplomat. Bachelor's degree in Economics from Emory University; graduate of the National Defence College of Canada.

United States Foreign Service officer (1977-2011). Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, United States Department of State (2007-2011). Deputy Chief of Mission (2005-2007) and Chargé d'affaires, a.d., (2003-2005) United States Embassy, London. Afghan Coordinator for the United States (2002-2003). United States Ambassador to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (1998-2001). Deputy Press Secretary at the White House and Spokesman for the National Security Council (1995-1997). Deputy Spokesman at the State Department (1995) and Director of the State Department Press Office (1993-1995). United States Consul General, Vancouver (1990-1993).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2012). Member of the Committee on Finance and Administration (2012).

Galina Korchagina

Born in 1953. National of the Russian Federation. Deputy Director of Research at the National Centre for Research on Drug Addiction, Ministry of Health and Social Development, Russian Federation (since 2010).

Leningrad Paediatrics Institute, Russian Federation (1976); Doctor of Medicine (2001). Doctor, boarding school, Gatchina, Leningrad region, (1976-1979). Head of the Organizational and Policy Division, Leningrad Regional Drug Clinic (1981-1989); Lecturer, Leningrad Regional Medical Academy (1981-1989); Head Doctor, City Drug Clinic, St. Petersburg (1989-1994); Assistant Lecturer (1991-1996) and Professor (2000-2001),

Department of Social Technologies, State Institute for Services and Economics; Assistant Lecturer (1994-2000), Associate Professor (2001-2002) and Professor (2002-2008), Department for Research on Drug Addiction, St. Petersburg Medical Academy of Postgraduate Studies; Chief Professor and Head of the Department for Medical Research and Healthy Lifestyles, Herzen State Pedagogical University of Russia (2000-2008); Professor, Department for Conflict Studies, Faculty of Philosophy, St. Petersburg State University (2004-2008); member of numerous associations and societies, including: Association of Psychiatrists and Drug Addiction Specialists of Russia and St. Petersburg; Kettil Bruun Society for Social and Epidemiological Research on Alcohol; International Council on Alcohol and Addictions; International Society of Addiction Medicine: head of the sociology of science aspects of medical and biological research section of the Research Council on the Sociology of Science and the Organization of Scientific Research, St. Petersburg Scientific Centre of the Russian Academy of Sciences (2002-2008). Author of more than 100 publications, including more than 70 works published in the Russian Federation, chapters in monographs and several practical guides. Award for excellence in health protection, awarded by the Ministry of Health of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (1987). Consultant, Global Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (since 2006); co-trainer, WHO programme "Skills for change" (since 1995); participant in meetings of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (2002-2008); expert on the epidemiology of drug addiction, Pompidou Group of the Council of Europe (1994-2003); temporary representative, WHO (1992-2008).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2010). Vice-Chair of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2011, 2012).

Marc Moinard

Born in 1942. National of France. Retired law officer. School of Political Sciences, Paris; Paris Law Faculty; Faculty of Arts, Poitiers. Public Prosecutor, Beuvais (1982-1983); Public Prosecutor, Pontoise (1990); Public Prosecutor, Lyon (1990-1991); Public Prosecutor, Bobigny (1992-1995); Public Prosecutor in the Court of Appeal, Bordeaux (1999-2005), introducing major reforms into the legal system involving: the creation of centres for legal advice and mediation; the provision of legal advice in deprived areas; the establishment of a new system of cooperation between the courts and the police services allowing for the immediate handling of criminal offences;

and the creation of a new category of judicial personnel — assistant prosecutors.

Senior administrative posts in the Ministry of Justice: Director of Record Offices (1983-1986); President of the teaching board, National School of Clerks to the Court; Director of Legal Services; member of the Board of Directors, French National School for the Judiciary; Representative of the Minister of Justice in the Supreme Council of Justice (1995-1996); Director, Criminal Matters and Pardons (1996-1998); President, French Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction; Secretary-General, Ministry of Justice (2005-2008); President, Law and Justice Mission, responsible for the reform of the judicial map; President, Commission on Information Technology and Communication; Head of the International Affairs Service, Ministry of Justice. Lecturer, Paris Institute of Criminology (1995-2005); President, Fondation d'Aguesseau, a welfare body. Recipient of the following awards: Commander of the National Order of Merit; Commander of the Legion of Honour.

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2010). Member of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2012). Member of the Committee on Finance and Administration (2012).

Jorge Montaña

Born in 1948. National of Mexico. Professor of International Organizations and Mexican Foreign Policy, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, private consultant on the enforcement of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

Law and Political Science, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México; Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy in International Affairs, London School of Economics. Director General de Educación Superior — Secretaría de Educación Pública (1976-1979); Member of the Mexican Foreign Service (1979-2008); Director of International Agencies (1979-1982); Assistant Secretary of Multilateral Affairs (1982-1988); Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations organizations (1989-1992); Chairman of the Group of Experts to enhance the efficiency of the United Nations structure for drug abuse control (1990); Ambassador of Mexico to the United States (1993-1995); member of the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism on Drugs (2001-2003) of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD). Member of the Special Advisory Board, World Bank (2010-2012). Author of the following publications: *Partidos y política en América Latina*; *Implicaciones legales de la presencia de Estados Unidos en Viet Nam*; *Análisis del Sistema de Naciones Unidas*; *ACNUR en América Latina*;

Negociaciones del Tratado de Libre Comercio de América del Norte; *Cooperación México-Estados Unidos en materia de narcotráfico*; *Debilidades de la certificación del Congreso de Estados Unidos*; *Retos de la frontera norte de México*; *Tráfico de armas en las fronteras mexicanas*. Author of 50 articles published in specialized journals. Weekly contributor to the editorial pages of *La Jornada*, *Reforma* and *El Universal*. President and founding member of *Foreign Affairs Latinoamérica* (formerly *Foreign Affairs en Español*). Founding President, Asesoría y Análisis, S.C., Mexican Council on Foreign Relations (COMEXI). Recipient of awards from the Governments of Chile, El Salvador, Greece and Guatemala. Participant in many meetings of organizations in the United Nations system, the Organization of American States and the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries.

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2009). Member of the Committee on Finance and Administration (2010). Chair of the Committee on Finance and Administration (2012).

Lochan Naidoo

Born in 1961. National of South Africa. Family Practitioner, Durban, South Africa (since 1985).

Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB), University of Natal, South Africa (1983). Professional in Residence Programme: Hanley Hazelden (1995); Member of the South African Medical Association (since 1995); Member and Vice-Chairman of the Bayport Independent Practitioners Association (1995-2000). Certified Chemical Dependency Counsellor, National Board of Addiction Examiners (NBAE) (1996); Member of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (1996-1999). Diploma in Business Management, South African Institute of Management (1997). Founding member, International Society of Addiction Medicine (1999); Programme Designer and Principal Addictions Therapist of the Jullo Programme, a multi-disciplinary treatment model for primary, secondary and tertiary prevention of addiction disorders and dual diagnoses (since 1994); Clinical Director, Serenity Addiction Treatment Unit, Merebank, Durban, South Africa (since 1995). Member of the KwaZulu-Natal Managed Care Coalition (since 1995); Member of the Durban South Doctors' Guild (since 2000); Honorary Lecturer, Nelson R. Mandela School of Medicine, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa (2005-2011). Curriculum Committee undergraduate Lifestyle Medicine, University of KwaZulu-Natal (2005-2011). Drafter of the National Detoxification Policy and Procedure for the Department of Health of South Africa (2006); designer of the *Roots connect* software program, an Internet-driven

emotional and addiction psychoeducation delivery system (2007); Member of the Opiate Advisory Board of South Africa (2006-2008); Member of the Board, Central Drug Authority of South Africa (2006-2010); Member of the Governance Committee, Central Drug Authority of South Africa (2006-2010). Member of the Expert Committee on Opiate Treatment (2007-2008); Central Drug Authority representative to the Western Cape Province, South Africa (2007-2010); established “Roots HelpPoints” for early intervention and primary prevention among high-risk individuals (2008). Co-author of “Guidelines for opiate treatment in South Africa”, *South African Medical Journal* (2008). Member of the Suboxone Advisory Board (2009). Co-author of “Suboxone update”, *South African Medical Journal* (2010); Designer of “RehabFlow” cloud computing software for addiction and co-morbidity management (2010); Management Committee Member of eThekweni District Mental Health and Substance Abuse Forum (2010). Rehabilitation and addictions trainer for health-care practitioners. Medical educator for undergraduate and postgraduate medical practitioners (since 1995); Patron of Andra Maha Sabha of South Africa; founder, Merebank West Community Coalition (1995). Trustee, Merebank Community Trust (2000-2005).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2010). Member of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2011). Member of the Committee on Finance and Administration (2011). First Vice-President of the Board (2012).

Rajat Ray

Born in 1948. National of India. Professor and Head of the Department of Psychiatry and Chief, National Drug Dependence Treatment Centre (NDDTC), All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi. Graduate of Medicine (MBBS), Medical College in Calcutta (1971). M.D. (Psychiatry), AIIMS (1977). Member of the faculty, Department of Psychiatry, National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences, Bangalore (1979-1988). Author of several technical reports and articles in peer reviewed national and international journals. Assistant Editor, *Addiction Biology*. Member of the International Advisory Board, *Mental Health and Substance Use: Dual Diagnosis* and the Editorial Board, of the scientific journal *International Drug Sciences and Drug Policy*.

Recipient of research support from various bodies at the national level (such as the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and the Indian Council of Medical Research) and the international level (such as the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and WHO. Member of a study on HIV/AIDS, a collaborative project of

NDDTC, AIIMS and the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Immunology and Disease, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), United States of America. Member of the WHO Expert Advisory Panel on Drug Dependence and Alcohol Problems. Member of the expert group to discuss mental health and substance use disorder at the primary care level, an activity of the WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia. Member of the WHO expert group on regional technical consultation to reduce harmful use of alcohol. Coordinator of various activities in India on substance use disorder, sponsored by WHO (since 2004). Member of the National Drug Abuse Control Programme, India, and the Technical Guidelines Development Group on Pharmacotherapy of Opioid Dependence, a joint project of UNODC and WHO. Member and Chairperson of the Technical Resource Group on Injecting Drug Use, a project of the National AIDS Control Organization. Member of the project advisory committee on the prevention of transmission of HIV among drug users in South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) member States, a project of the UNODC Regional Office for South Asia. Member of the Subcommittee on Postgraduate Medical Education, Medical Council of India. Chairperson, Working Group on Classification of Substance — Related and Addictive Disorder, International Advisory Group for the Revision of ICD-10 Mental and Behavioural Disorders (2011); Principal investigator, WHO Project “Web-Based Intervention (Portal) for Alcohol and Health”, Geneva (since 2010); principal investigator, NDDTC, Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Round 9 and Nodal Regional Resource and Training Centre; Principal Coordinator, National Policy and Twelfth Five-Year Plan of India, covering the period 2012-2017, areas relating to control of alcohol and drug problems, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India; Principal Investigator, opioid substitution therapy in India: issues and lessons learned, a joint project of NDDTC, AIIMS, the National AIDS Control Organisation, the government of Punjab and the Department for International Development (UK aid) — Technical Assistance Support Team, targeted intervention (since 2010); member of the Expert Committee on Psychotropic Substances and New Drugs, Drug Controller General of India (2011). Reviewer and contributor, *Indian Journal of Medical Research*, official publication of the Indian Council of Medical Research (since 2010).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2010). Member (2010) and Chair (2011) of the Standing Committee on Estimates. Second Vice-President of the Board (2011). Member of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2012).

Ahmed Kamal Eldin Samak

Born in 1950. National of Egypt. Graduated with a Law and Police Licence in 1971. Worked in the field of anti-narcotics for more than 35 years, until becoming the Minister Assistant of Police and Head of the Anti-Narcotics General Administration (ANGA) of Egypt. Independent adviser in the field of anti-narcotics and crime. First-rank badge of honour on the occasion of the police festival (1992). Contributed to several missions, such as to Jordan, for anti-narcotics training (1988); India, for the signing of an agreement between India and Egypt to strengthen anti-narcotics and security cooperation to combat crime and terrorism (1995); France, for cooperation between Egypt and the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) relating to drugs and money-laundering (1996); Palestine, to participate in a regional anti-narcotics workshop (1999); Saudi Arabia, to participate in a training programme related to drug cases (2001); United Arab Emirates, to represent the Ministry of the Interior at the thirty-sixth session of the committee concerned with illegal trade in drugs (2001); to the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya,^a to participate in the celebration of the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (2002); Kenya, to participate in the twelfth and seventeenth conferences of African national anti-narcotics department leaders (2002 and 2007); Mauritius, for the second ministerial anti-narcotics meeting (2004); Lebanon, to participate in the conference “Drugs are a social epidemic” organized by Lebanese organizations for human rights (2004); Tunisia, to participate in the seventeenth to twenty-first Arab conferences of anti-narcotic department leaders (2003-2007); United States (2004); Austria, to represent the Ministry at the forty-fifth, forty-sixth and forty-eighth to fiftieth sessions of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (2002-2007); Saudi Arabia, as a member of a scientific organization to prepare an article about arrest and investigation procedures (2007); United Arab Emirates, for the Regional Seminar for Strategic and Cooperative Planning in the Field of Anti-Narcotics (2007). Member of the National General Trust Fund for Anti-Narcotics and Addiction; and the Committee of National Strategy Planning on Anti-Narcotics.

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2012). Member of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2012).

^a Since 16 September 2011, “Libya” has replaced “Libyan Arab Jamahiriya” as the short name used in the United Nations.

Werner Sipp

Born in 1943. National of Germany. Lawyer (Universities of Heidelberg, Germany, and Lausanne, Switzerland, University Institute of European Studies, Turin, Italy).

Assistant lecturer in Public Law, University of Regensburg (1971-1977). Senior administrative posts in several federal ministries (1977-2008). Head of the Division for Narcotic Law and International Narcotic Drugs Affairs in the Federal Ministry of Health (2001-2008); Permanent Correspondent of Germany in the Pompidou Group of the Council of Europe (2001-2008); Legal Correspondent of Germany in the European Legal Database on Drugs, Lisbon (2002-2008); Chairman of the Horizontal Working Party on Drugs of the Council of the European Union (2007); Coordinator of the German delegation to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (2001-2009).

Expert Consultant to the German Federal Ministry of Health and the Drug Commissioner of the Federal Government in international drug matters (2008-2009); Expert Consultant on drug issues to the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) (2008-2011); Expert on several European Union drug projects (such as “Implementing the national strategy to fight drug abuse in Serbia” (INSADA) and the Central Asia Drug Action Programme (CADAP).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2012), Member of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2012).

Viroj Sumyai

Born in 1953. National of Thailand. Retired Assistant Secretary-General of the Food and Drug Administration, Ministry of Public Health of Thailand, and clinical pharmacologist specializing in drug epidemiology. Professor, Mahidol University (since 2001).

Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry (1976), Chiang Mai University. Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy (1979), Manila Central University. Master's degree in Clinical Pharmacology (1983), Chulalongkorn University. He then took apprenticeship in narcotic drugs epidemiology at St. George's University of London in England in 1989. Doctor of Philosophy, Health Policy and Administration (2009), National Institute of Administration. Member of the Pharmaceutical Association of Thailand. Member of the Pharmacological and Therapeutic Society of Thailand. Member of the Thai Society of Toxicology. Author of nine books in the field of drug prevention and control, including

Drugging Drinks: Handbook for Predatory Drugs Prevention and Déjà vu: A Complete Handbook for Clandestine Chemistry, Pharmacology and Epidemiology of LSD. Columnist, *Food and Drug Administration Journal*. Recipient of the Prime Minister Award for Drug Education and Prevention (2005).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2010). Member of the Standing Committee on Estimates (since 2010). Chair of the Committee on Finance and Administration (2011). Second Vice-President and Chair of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2012).

Francisco E. Thoumi

Born in 1943, national of Colombia and the United States. Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy in Economics. Senior member of the Colombian Academy of Economic Sciences and Corresponding member of the Royal Academy of Moral and Political Sciences (Spain).

Has been a Professor at the University of Texas, Rosario University (Bogota) and California State University, Chico. Worked for 15 years in the research departments of the World Bank and the Interamerican Development Bank. Founder and Director, Research and Monitoring Center on Drugs and Crime, Rosario University (August 2004-December 2007); Research Coordinator, Global Programme against Money Laundering, Proceeds of Crime and the Financing of Terrorism; Coordinator for the *World Drug Report*, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Vienna (August 1999-September 2000); Researcher, Comparative Study of Illegal Drugs in Six Countries, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, Geneva (June 1991-December 1992); Fellow, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars (August 1996-July 1997); Research Coordinator, Research Programme on the Economic Impact of Illegal Drugs in the Andean Countries, United Nations Development Programme, Bogota (November 1993-January 1996).

Author of two books and co-author of one on illegal drugs in Colombia and the Andean region. He has also edited three volumes and written over 60 academic journal articles and book chapters on those subjects.

Member of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation Observatory of Organized Crime in Latin America and the Caribbean (since 2008) and the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Organized Crime (2012-2014).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2012). Rapporteur (2012).

Raymond Yans

Born in 1948. National of Belgium. Graduate in Germanic philology and in philosophy (1972).

Belgian Foreign Service: Attaché, Jakarta (1978-1981); Deputy-Mayor of Liège (1982-1989); Consul, Tokyo (1989-1994); Consul, Chargé d'affaires, Luxembourg (1999-2003); Head of the Drug Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1995-1999 and 2003-2007); Chairman of the Dublin Group (2002-2006); Chairman of the European Union Drug Policy Cooperation Working Group during the Belgian Presidency of the European Union; charged with the national coordination of the ratification and implementation process of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971 and the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988 (1995-1998); liaison between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the National Police for drug liaison officers in Belgian embassies (2003-2005); participation in the launching by the European Union Joint Action on New Synthetic Drugs of an early warning system to alert Governments to the appearance of new synthetic drugs (1999); active in the creation of the Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs between the European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean (1997-1999). Author of numerous articles and speeches including: "The future of the Dublin Group" (2004) and "Is there anything such as a European Union Common Drug Policy" (2005). Member of the Belgian delegation to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (1995-2007); all the preparatory sessions (on amphetamine-type stimulants, precursors, judicial cooperation, money-laundering, drug demand reduction and alternative development) for the twentieth special session of the General Assembly; European Union Seminar on Best Practices in Drug Enforcement by Law Enforcement Authorities, Helsinki (1999); Joint European Union/Southern African Development Community Conferences on Drug Control Cooperation, Mmabatho, South Africa (1995) and Gabarone (1998); United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime/Paris Pact round tables, Brussels (2003), Tehran and Istanbul (2005); meetings of the High-level Dialogue on Drugs between the Andean Community and the European Union, Lima (2005) and Vienna (2006).

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2007). Member of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2007-2010). Member of the Committee on Finance and Administration (2007-2010). Rapporteur (2010). First Vice-President of the Board (2011). President of the Board (2012).